

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Applicants : Constantine Tsikos and C. Harry Knowles
Application Serial No.: 10/068,803
Filing Date : February 6, 2002
Title : BIOPTICAL PRODUCT AND PRODUCE IDENTIFICATION
SYSTEMS EMPLOYING PLANAR LASER ILLUMINATION
AND IMAGING (PLIIM) BASED SUBSYSTEMS
Examiner : Thien Le
Group Art Unit : 2876
Attorney Docket No. : 108-127USAND0

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

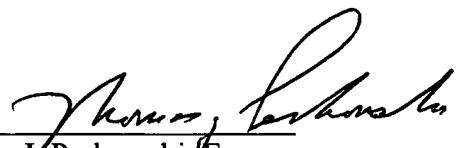
Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicant requests a two month extension of time in order to file the accompanying Response to Office Action mailed August 12, 2004, in connection with the above referenced Application. The extended response time to file the Response to Office Action will expire on January 12, 2005.

The requisite fee of \$450.00 is paid for by the enclosed Thomas J. Perkowski, Esq., P.C. Check No. 4693 in the same amount. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 16-1340. A duplicate of this document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

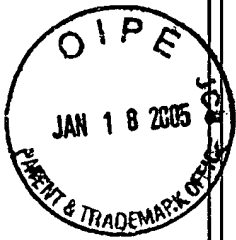
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